

Freezing conditions continue up to Christmas

22 December 2010 - The freezing weather will continue as Christmas approaches with severe frosts across the UK, and heavy snow in some areas continuing to give disruption to travel networks.

Snow showers will continue to affect parts of the north and east of Britain tonight and through Thursday and may become heavy and frequent across parts of East Anglia and southeast England.

Met Office Chief Forecaster, Tim Hewson said: "Although the risk of widespread snow has decreased, a few eastern areas could see a further 10cm of fresh snow in places by the end of Thursday. Meanwhile, widespread ice and freezing temperatures will lead to slippery conditions on some roads and pavements over most parts of the UK."

The run up to Christmas and the big day itself are expected to see a respite from fresh snowfall. However, there will be some severe frosts and freezing fog at night. While there will still be snow lying on Christmas Day, the day itself is expected to be dry and fine in most parts of the UK. At this stage, the only places that might see snow showers on Christmas Day are coastal parts east and northeast England, East Anglia and Kent.



The public are advised to stay up to date with the latest weather forecasts and warnings

(https://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/ukgwa/20120404035517mp_/http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/uk/uk_forecast on the web and television and should be prepared to change their weekend plans based on the weather forecast.

How to interpret Met Office Severe Weather Warnings

(https://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/ukgwa/20120404035517mp_/http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/uk/guide/colour

For travel advice you can visit:

Highways Agency (https://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/ukgwa/20120404035517mp_/http://www.highways.gov.uk)

Traffic Scotland (https://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/ukgwa/20120404035517mp_/http://trafficscotland.org/)

Traffic Wales (https://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/ukgwa/20120404035517mp_/http://www.traffic-wales.com/)

Trafficwatch Northern Ireland

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